

## House Republican Press Release

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### Rep. Klarides Sponsors Measure to Increase Road Assistance for Orange



**HARTFORD-** Representative Themis Klarides (R-Derby) has announced that she is cosponsoring legislation that will fully fund the State's Town Aid Road program. Under the bill, HB 6334, *An Act Concerning Funding the Town Aid Road Program*, Orange would receive over \$66,000 more than it currently receives.

Representative Klarides noted that when the Town Aid Road Program (TAR) was fully funded, Orange received \$156,187 to use for roads and snow plowing expenses. Currently Orange receives only \$90,011 from the program, and the governor's proposed budget makes no increases to the funds.

"The cost for road upkeep and for plowing, and other maintenance expenses continually grows," said Representative Klarides. "I will be working this session to see that the much-needed funding from the state to help offset the costs to Orange is obtained."

The bill is currently before the legislature's Joint Committee on Transportation. It is scheduled for a public hearing on Friday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2005.